

RESOLUTIONS.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Sec. 1. To amend Section 2 of Article 10 of the Constitution.

No. 1.—[S. J. R. No. 16.] Joint Resolution amending Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That Section 2, Article 10, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to read as follows:

Article 2. Railroads heretofore constructed or which may hereafter be constructed in this state are hereby declared public highways and railroad companies common carriers. The legislature shall pass laws to regulate railroad freight and passenger tariffs, to correct abuses, and prevent unjust discrimination and extortion in the rates of freight and passenger tariffs on the different railroads in this state, and enforce the same by adequate penalties; and to the further accomplishments of these objects and purposes may provide and establish all requisite means and agencies invested with such powers as may be deemed adequate and advisable.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the legislature of the state of Texas at the next general election for state and county officers, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution, relating to railroads;" and all voters opposed to said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution, relating to railroads:" *Provided*, That the said article and section of the constitution may be indicated on said ballots either by words, numerals, or figures. The governor of the state is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and have the same published as required by the constitution and existing laws of the state.

Approved, April 8, 1889.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Sec. 1. To amend Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution.

No. 2.—[S. J. R. No. 19.] Joint Resolution to amend Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. *Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

ARTICLE EIGHT.

Section 9. The state tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation; and no county, city, or town shall levy more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes, and not exceed fifteen cents for roads